

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 240

February 9, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Eliminates possibility of incarceration for a Class C misdemeanor moving traffic violation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to T.C.A. § 40-35-111(e)(3), the penalty for a Class C misdemeanor is jail time not to exceed 30 days or a fine not to exceed \$50, or both, unless otherwise provided by statute.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Safety, there are few cases where a judge would assess jail time for violations of the rules of the road.
- Any person who would be sentenced to a period of incarceration for a violation of the rules of the road under current law would be housed in the respective county jail.
- The decrease to the total number of days of incarceration is expected to be not significant. Therefore, any decrease to local government expenditures is considered not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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